The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device comprising:
- a first substrate;

- a second substrate opposed to said first substrate;
- a layer comprising a liquid crystal and a transparent material disposed between said first and second substrates; [[and]]
 - a black coating formed between said layer and said second substrate; and
 - at least one electrode formed on said first substrate,
- wherein a mixture ratio of said liquid crystal and said transparent material is 4:6 to 8:2.
- 2. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 1 wherein said liquid crystal is dispersed in said transparent material.
- 3. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 1 wherein said transparent material comprises a resin.
- 4. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 1 wherein said liquid crystal display device is an active matrix type liquid crystal display device.
 - 5. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device comprising:
 - a first substrate;
- a plurality of switching elements arranged in a matrix form over said first substrate;

a plurality of pixel electrodes arranged in a matrix form over said first substrate and electrically connected to said switching elements;

a second substrate opposed to said first substrate; [[and]]

a layer comprising a liquid crystal and a transparent material disposed between said first and second substrates[[,]]; and

a black coating formed between said layer and said second substrate,

wherein a mixture ratio of said liquid crystal and said transparent material is 4:6 to 8:2.

- 6. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 5 wherein said liquid crystal is dispersed in said transparent material.
- 7. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 5 wherein said transparent material comprises a resin.
- 8. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 5 wherein said liquid crystal display device is an active matrix type liquid crystal display device.
- 9. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 5 wherein said pixel electrodes are transparent.
 - 10. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device comprising:
 - a first substrate;
- a plurality of switching elements arranged in a matrix form over said first substrate;
 - a smoothing film formed over said plurality of switching element elements;
- a plurality of pixel electrodes arranged in a matrix form over said first substrate and electrically connected to said switching elements;

a second substrate opposed to said first substrate; [[and]]

a layer comprising a liquid crystal and a transparent material disposed between said first and second substrates[[,]]; and

a black coating formed between said layer and said second substrate,

wherein a mixture ratio of said liquid crystal and said transparent material is 4:6 to 8:2.

- 11. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 10 wherein said liquid crystal is dispersed in said transparent material.
- 12. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 10 wherein said transparent material comprises a resin.
- 13. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 10 wherein said liquid crystal display device is an active matrix type liquid crystal display device.
- 14. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 10 wherein said pixel electrodes are transparent.
- 15. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 10 wherein said smoothing film comprises polyimide.
 - 16. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device comprising:

a pair of substrates at least one of which is transparent;

a layer comprising a liquid crystal and a transparent material disposed over said transparent substrate; [[and]]

at least one electrode formed on at least one of said pair of substrates[[,]]; and a black coating formed between said layer and one of said pair of substrates,

wherein a mixture ratio of said liquid crystal and said transparent material is 4:6 to 8:2,

wherein said liquid crystal display device has a memory property.

- 17. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 16 wherein said liquid crystal is dispersed in said transparent material.
- 18. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 16 wherein said transparent material comprises a resin.
- 19. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 16 wherein said liquid crystal display device is an active matrix type liquid crystal display device.
 - 20. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device comprising:
 - a first substrate;

- a plurality of switching elements arranged in a matrix form over said first substrate;
- a plurality of pixel electrodes arranged in a matrix form over said first substrate and electrically connected to said switching elements;
 - a second substrate opposed to said first substrate; [[and]]
- a layer comprising [[an]] <u>a</u> liquid crystal and a transparent material disposed between said first and second substrates[[,]]; and
 - a black coating formed between said layer and said second substrate,
- wherein a mixture ratio of said liquid crystal and said transparent material is 4:6 to 8:2,

wherein said liquid crystal display device has a memory property.

21. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 20 wherein said liquid crystal is dispersed in said transparent material.

- 22. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 20 wherein said transparent material comprises a resin.
- 23. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 20 wherein said liquid crystal display device is an active matrix type liquid crystal display device.
- 24. (Original) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 20 wherein said pixel electrodes are transparent.
- 25. (New) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein black stripes comprising the black coating are formed between the layer and the second substrate.
- 26. (New) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 5, wherein black stripes comprising the black coating are formed between the layer and the second substrate.
- 27. (New) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 10, wherein black stripes comprising the black coating are formed between the layer and the second substrate.
- 28. (New) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 16, wherein black stripes comprising the black coating are formed between the layer and the second substrate.

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29. (New) The liquid crystal display device according to claim 20, wherein black stripes comprising the black coating are formed between the layer and the second substrate.